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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A method for providing an interactive music interface, the method comprising:

providing an interactive program guide (IPG) page comprising a guide graphics portion and a video portion, wherein said guide graphics portion includes a plurality of encoded guide graphics portion slices and said video portion includes a plurality of encoded video portion slices, said guide graphics portion having included therein a music icon representative of a topic of music;

receiving a selection for the music icon;

providing a music interface page having included therein a listing of music channels, the listing including a particular music channel;

receiving a selection of the particular music channel via depression of a key, when the particular music channel is highlighted as a result of a cursor moving over the particular music channel;

retrieving and processing an audio stream, if the audio stream is associated with the selected music channel;

retrieving and decoding a data stream to retrieve description information, if the data stream is associated with the selected music channel;

retrieving and decoding a video stream, if the video stream is associated with the selected music channel; and

providing any processed audio stream, any descriptive information, and any decoded video for the selected music channel.

2-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the music interface page includes a plurality of display regions, wherein the selected music channel is included in a music channel listing that is displayed in a first display region, and wherein the decoded video is displayed in a second display region.

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10. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
retrieving one or more objects used to identify the music interface page; and
providing the retrieved objects at particular locations of the music interface page.

11-34. (Cancelled)

35. (Currently amended) A set top terminal (STT) for receiving programming guide data, comprising:

a demodulator operative to receive a modulated signal and generate a transport stream;

a transport de-multiplexer coupled to the demodulator and operative to receive and process the transport stream to provide a plurality of elementary streams; and

a decoder coupled to the transport de-multiplexer and operative to

decode a first elementary stream to generate an interactive program guide (IPG) page comprising a guide graphics portion and a video portion, wherein said guide graphics portion includes a plurality of encoded guide graphics portion slices and said video portion includes a plurality of encoded video portion slices, said guide graphics portion of said IPG page having included therein a music icon representative of a topic of music, said decoder further operative to

provide the IPG page for display,

receive a selection for the music icon, and

provide a music interface page having included therein a listing of music channels, the listing including a particular music channel,

receive a selection of the particular music channel via depression of a key, when the particular music channel is highlighted as a result of a cursor moving over the particular music channel,

retrieve and process an audio stream, if the audio stream is associated with the selected music channel,

retrieve and decode a data stream to retrieve description information, if the data stream is associated with the selected music channel,

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retrieve and decode a video stream, if the video stream is associated with the selected music channel, and

provide any processed audio stream, any descriptive information, and any decoded video for the selected music channel.

36. (Original) The STT of claim 35, wherein the decoder is further operative to receive an indication that a particular music channel has been selected, retrieve an audio stream associated with the selected music channel, and process the retrieved audio stream.

37. (Original) The STT of claim 36, wherein the decoder is further operative to retrieve a data stream associated with the selected music channel, decode the data stream to retrieve descriptive information for the selected music channel, and provide the descriptive information.

38. (Original) The STT of claim 36, wherein the decoder is further operative to retrieve a video stream associated with the selected music channel, decode the retrieved video stream, and provide decoded video for the selected music channel.